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Applicant(s): Schofield

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Optical Data Streams In An Optical Communication  
Network

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 3, 2004, entry of the below response to the  
outstanding office action is respectfully requested.